

REMARKS

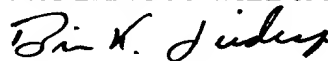
Applicants submit that by the present Amendment and Remarks, this application is placed in clear condition for immediate allowance. Claim 22 was objected to and indicated as allowable subject, if rewritten in independent form. By way of the present amendment claim 22 has been recast in independent form to include the limitations of base claim 18. Claims 9-16, 18-21 and 23-24 have been canceled without prejudice of disclaimer. The present Amendment is submitted within two months from the Examiner's Answer mailed one June 7, 2005. Clearly, the present Amendment does not generate any new matter issue or any new issue which was not previously considered by the Examiner. Accordingly, entry of the present Amendment and Remarks, and favorable consideration, are solicited pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.

In light of the amendments and remarks above, the application should be considered in condition for allowance and the case passed to issue. If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated to expedite the prosecution of the application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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